Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I understand the Speaker to mean that asking for information regarding whether the charges have been framed or not is not a matter which should be shut out from the purview of the question hour. If they have framed chargers, then we can ask what are the charges. Only if we begin to ask questions regarding the merit or demerit of the charges, we will be offending the rule if *sub-judice*

Mr. SPEAKER.—If there is a charge of inefficiency or delay or something like that, that very question is before the High Court. Therefore, I would say, "please do not tread upon this path". They can only ask the Government whether these are any charges against there officers.

Sri G. VENKATAI GOWDA.—And what are they ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—No, we cannot ask that.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Sir, it is not my intension to question the Chair's ruling. I was submitting something and then the Speaker intervened.. ...

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will hear him and then give a complete ruling on this point. I have not made up my mind. I am going to examine every thing and give a ruling. I will hold it over if he wants.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Not that I am submitting that the question should be held over. I was trying to explain.....

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will give him time. He is not the only person that wants to explain. Some others will also get up to explain and thus most of the question time will be wasted. I will hold over the question.

Sri B. K. PUTTARAMAIYA.-Some day you have to waste the time. So, why not do it today ?

Mr. SPEAKER.—The difference between today and some other day is that if it is some other day, having known the minds of the Members, I will look into all the authorities, come prepared and give a considered ruling on the point.

Sri C. M. ARUMUGHAM.—So far as that portion is concerned, you may hold it over but you may allow other supplimentaries.

Mr. SPEAKER.—No. Next question.

OPENING OF A CONTOUR CHANNEL OF VISVESVARAYA CANAL.

*Q.—235. Sri T. P. BORIAH (Kellegal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether a survey has been made for opening a contour channel for the benefit of ryots at the tail end of Thuruganur branch channel near Hulikere Tunnel of Visvesvaraya Canal ;

(*b*) the amount of the above estimate for the above work, if the survey completed ;

(*c*) how many causes of water could be supplied through the contour channel and the acreage that could be irrigated?

A.— Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR. (Deputy Minister for Public Works.)—

(*a*) to (*c*) The propasal is under investigation.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಪಿ. ಬೋರಯ್ಯ.—ಈ ವಿಚಾರ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆಯಾಗಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಎಷ್ಟು ದಿವಸ ಬೇಕು?

†Sri M. N. NAGHNOOR.—It is a major work. We have entrusted this work for investigation. It may take sometime. We are already at it.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಪಿ. ಬೋರಯ್ಯ.—ಎಷ್ಟು ದಿವಸದಿಂದ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಡೆಯುತ್ತಿದೆ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎನ್. ನಾಗನೂರ್.—ನೂಪರಿಂಟೆಂಡಿಂಗ್ ಇಂಜನಿಯರು ತಾವೇ investigate ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದಿದ್ದರು. ಆದರೆ ಇದು ಬಹಳ ದೊಡ್ಡ ಕೆಲಸವಾಗಿರುವುದರಿಂದ major investigation department ಗೆ ಒಪ್ಪಿಸಬೇಕೆಂದು ತೀರ್ಮಾನ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಪಿ. ಬೋರಯ್ಯ.—ಶೀಘ್ರದಲ್ಲಯೇ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಎನ್. ನಾಗನೂರ್.—ಆದಷ್ಟು ಬೇಗನೆ ಇತ್ಯರ್ಥಪಡಿಸಿಗೇಷ್ಟ ಮಾಡಿಸುತ್ತೇವೆ.

SANCTION OF AN ESTIMATE FOR THE PICK-UP CHANNEL FROM TURUGANUR TANK IN T-NARASIPUR TALUK.

**Q*.—236. Sri T. P. BORIAH. (Kollegal).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether an estimate has been sanctioned for the pick-up channel from Turuganur Tank, T.-Narasipur Taluk ;

(*b*) the amount of estimates ;

(*c*) when the work would be taken up ?

A.—Sri H. K. VEERANNA GOWDH.—(Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Rs. 43,000

(*c*) The work is arranged to be taken up on piece-work system, since there was no response to tender notification.

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಪಿ. ಬೋರಯ್ಯ.—ಈ ಕೆಲಸವನ್ನು ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಕೈಕೊಂಡಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ನಾನು ಉಪ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಗಣನ್ನು ಕೇಳುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.